

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

FRANCE, et al.

APPLICATION NO: 10/035,301

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FOR: USE OF 2, 4 DIAMINO-3-HYDROCARBOXYLIC ACID
DERIVATIVES AS PROTEASOME INHIBITORS

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed on 29 May 2009, in the instant invention. Attached herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). Also enclosed is a two-month extension of time fee. The Examiner is authorized to charge the RCE fee of \$810 and the two-month extension of time fee of \$490 to Deposit Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis. With the extension of time, this filing is due on or before Thursday, 29 October 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Arguments/Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.